

# Lower Hutt's rubbish and recycling service

**We can  
help reduce  
your waste!**



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TE AWA KAIRANGI

**TOO  
GOOD  
TO  
WASTE**

Maimoatia Kei Moumou

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# Your rubbish bin / ipupara

This is your wheelie bin with the red lid, and it's just for rubbish.

## ✓ YES

- General rubbish – which means anything that can't be reused or recycled

## ✗ NO

- Hot ashes or liquids
- Hazardous waste such as large batteries and gas bottles



**I get collected weekly**

**Tip:** Don't know how to dispose of something or recycle in other ways? Check **toogoodtowaste.nz** or contact us.

**Tip:** Use the space on your bins' lids to write your address with a permanent marker.



## Did you know?

When green waste goes to landfill it creates methane, a greenhouse gas much more potent than carbon dioxide. Instead of putting it in your red bin, consider composting or using our green waste collection.

# Your recycling bin / ipu hangarua

This is your wheelie bin with the yellow lid, and it's just for stuff that can be recycled.



## YES

- Paper and cardboard
- Tins and cans
- Plastic containers marked with:



These are usually found on the bottom of the item.

**Remember:** Rinse containers and flatten or cut your cardboard to make it fit in your yellow bin.



## NO

- Glass
- Batteries
- Nappies
- Drink cartons / Tetrapak
- Polystyrene, clothes hangers and toys
- Soft plastics, cling film and strapping

I get collected on yellow weeks



## Did you know?

When incorrect items end up in the wrong bin, they contaminate the recycling / ipu hangarua, which can mean the whole truckload ends up going to landfill. That's why we need to make sure the only thing that goes in our yellow bins is the stuff that's too good to waste.

# Your glass recycling crate / pouaka karāhe

This is your blue open-top crate, which is just for glass.

## ✓ YES

- Glass bottles
- Glass jars

**Remember:** Rinse bottles and jars to make sure they're clean.

## ✗ NO

- Lids
- Tableware and Pyrex
- Broken glass
- Light bulbs
- Mirrors or window glass

**Tip:** One person's waste is another's treasure. Keep an eye out on noticeboards and social media for opportunities to save useable items from going to landfill.

**I get  
collected  
on blue  
weeks**



## Did you know?

Glass is sent to VISY in Auckland, where it is further sorted for colour, and re-processed into new glass bottles and jars.

# Your green (garden) waste bin / ipupara tupu

You may have chosen to receive a 240L wheelie bin with a green lid.  
Your green bin is for garden waste only.

## ✓ YES

- Grass clippings
- Plant cuttings

## ✗ NO

- Rubbish
- Concrete or stone
- Nappies
- Food waste

**Tip:** If you don't have a green waste bin, or you have large quantities of green waste, you can take it to the Silverstream transfer station.

I get  
collected  
every four  
weeks



## Did you know?

Compost bins and worm farms are great for your garden. Consider putting food waste into one of these. For practical tips on how to reduce food waste and save money, visit [lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz](http://lovefoodhatewaste.co.nz)

# Putting your bins out

## When to put your bins out

Please go to **toogoodtowaste.nz** and download a collection calendar for your address.

Different bins go out depending on whether it's a yellow or blue week.

In addition, if you have chosen to have a green waste bin, there is a separate collection calendar for green waste.

**If you have just received new bins, a sticker on their side will let you know their collection day.**



## Yellow Week

Put out your **yellow bin** and your red bin



## Blue Week

Put out your **blue crate** and your red bin

## What time to put your bins out

Your bins should be out on the kerbside by 6am on your collection day, or you can put them out the evening before.

Please try to have them back inside your property by the evening of collection day.

## How to put your bins out

Please keep lids closed with your bin latches fastened. If you can't close the lid, your bin is too full and may not be emptied. If this happens, remove some of the contents of the bin and save it for the next collection.

Please place your bins as close as possible to the kerb with the Council logo facing the road and half a metre between each bin so the trucks can pick them up. Place your glass recycling crate next to your wheelie bin/s.

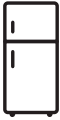
We can all work together to make sure our bins don't block paths or driveways – we want everyone to be able to get around easily.

## Flats, shared driveways and cul-de-sacs

If you can't fit your bins right outside your property, have a chat to your neighbours – together you can find a safe place to put your bins out for collection.

This may mean some residents have neighbours' bins outside their property on collection day.

# How to dispose of other items



## **Fridges/freezers:**

Take to Silverstream landfill transfer station, landfill charges apply. If you're replacing an item, your retailer may take your old appliance.



## **Oil:**

Free disposal of household quantities at Silverstream landfill transfer station.

**Note: Don't pour oil down your stormwater drain.**



## **Paints and Solvents:**

Take your left-over paint to Resene or Dulux. Some charges may apply to other brands, or free disposal of household quantities at Silverstream landfill transfer station.

**Note: Don't pour paints and solvents down your stormwater drain.**



## **Garden and household chemicals:**

Free disposal of household quantities at Silverstream landfill transfer station.

**Note: Don't pour garden/household chemicals down your stormwater drain.**



## **E-waste:**

Computers, tablets, monitors, computer peripherals, printers and cameras can be dropped off at retailers participating in TechCollect.



## **Car batteries and lithium-ion batteries:**

Free disposal of household quantities at Silverstream landfill transfer station.



## **Gas bottles and cylinders:**

Free disposal of household quantities at Silverstream landfill transfer station.



## **Medication, sharps, needles and EpiPen auto injectors:**

Take to your local pharmacy for safe disposal.



## **Useable furniture and bric-a-brac:**

Take to Earthlink at 25 Peterkin Street, Wingate, or your local charity.

**Please check with your local charity first and do not dump any items in front of charity shops.**

## Need help putting your bins out?

If you can't get your recycling and rubbish to the kerb for collection due to disability or mobility challenges and you have no one to put it out for you, we can help.

Please call us on **04 570 6666** or email **contact@huttcity.govt.nz** and we'll work together to make sure your bins get collected.

## Become a waste champion

We won't all be perfect when it comes to recycling and cutting down on what ends up in the landfill, so we've got a few systems in place to help us all get up to speed.

These include cameras on our trucks to check whether your recycling and green waste bins have the right items inside. A bin inspector might also leave a tag on your bin to help you become a waste champion.

If you get a **Green** tag, everything in your bin was correct – well done!

If you see an **Orange** tag, some items in your bin shouldn't have been there. Please double-check that everything's correct for next time.

If you get a **Red** tag, lots of stuff in your bin wasn't sorted and it may not even have been collected. If this happens, remove the stuff that shouldn't be there and put the bin out again next collection day.

If everything was sorted and your bin or crate was not emptied, visit **toogoodtowaste.nz**, call **04 570 6666** or email **contact@huttcity.govt.nz** to report a missed collection.

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Too good to waste

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